

NEGRO BABY BURNED TO DEATH.

With Older Brother It Was Left in a House Which Burned to the Ground. Mother Saved Elder Child.

It is a repetition of the same old story; children left by their mother in a house with a fire and the mother returning in time to see the house destroyed by flames and one of the children burned to a crisp.

Texana Warner, colored, who lives on Mr D. B. Cook's place, below Prosperity, in No. 10 Township, left her two children in her home on Tuesday morning and went out to pick cotton in a field near the house. Bennie, one of the children, was about five years old and the other was a baby of only sixteen months. There was a fire in the room in which the children were. The room adjoining was filled with cotton and shucks.

Between 9 and 10 o'clock in the morning the woman's attention was attracted by the calls of the oldest child, Bennie. He was standing in the door of the room which contained the cotton. The woman looked up and, seeing the room on a fire, ran to the house and attempted to save her children. She managed to get Bennie out but could not save the baby and it was burned to death.

The child who was saved told Coroner Lindsay that the baby picked up a coal of fire and crawled with it to the room in which the cotton was stored, setting the cotton and shucks on fire, and that he was standing in the door calling to the baby to come on and get out when his mother's attention was attracted to him.

The house was burned to the ground.

The coroner was sent for on Tuesday afternoon and went to the scene. He took the mother's testimony and that of a woman who came to try to render assistance. Coroner Lindsay wrote a verdict of accidental death.

Following is the mother's testimony:

Texana Warner, sworn, says: I live with Mr. D. B. Cook. On December 8, 1903, I was in the field picking cotton about 9 or 10 o'clock. Bennie called me and I looked and seen smoke coming out of the back room. I ran to the house and went in and got Bennie by the hand and took him out. I could not get to the baby, Frank Lee Kibler, for the fire was too far gone. I heard him grunt one time and then no more. When I seen him he was burned to a crisp. I think the house was an accidental fire.

The baby was about 16 months old. He could not walk, but crawl. her Texana X Warner mark.

The Pope Bicycle Calendar.

The re-issue of the Pope bicycle daily leaf calendar may be considered the opening gun proclaiming the natural and healthful return of bicycling. Col. Albert A. Pope, the founder of our bicycle industries and the pioneer in the Good Roads movement, is again at the head of the bicycle industry. Upon the 366 calendar leaves are freshly written lines, from the pens of our greatest college presidents, doctors, clergymen, statesmen, and other eminent men and women, all of them enthusiastically supporting bicycling. Half of each leaf is blank for memoranda. This calendar is free at the Pope Manufacturing Company's stores, or any of our readers can obtain it by sending five 2-cent stamps to the Pope Manufacturing Co., Hartford, Conn., or 143 Sigel Street, Chicago, Ill.

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A Diplomatic Occurrence That Will Call For Still Another Apology From The Sultan.

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Ecumenical Protestant Statistics.

While the most complete statistics of the various Protestant denominations in the United States are published annually, yet it is almost impossible to secure like figures for the world. However, the various churches have in recent years made progress in publishing their ecumenical figures, and in the near future we may have as complete churches' statistics for all lands as we have for our own. The latest data at hand gives the following figures in round numbers for the world:

Table with 2 columns: Denomination and Number. Includes Lutherans (70,500,000), Episcopalians (21,000,000), Methodists (17,000,000), Baptists (11,000,000), Presbyterians (9,000,000), Congregationalists (4,500,000), Other Reformed Churches (8,000,000), and Protestants in the world (141,000,000).

Fruitful.

We scatter seeds with careless hand And dream we ne'er shall see them more, But for a thousand years Their fruit appears. In weeds that mar the land Or helpful store. The deeds we do, the words we say, Into still air they seem to fleet; We count them ever past, But they shall last To the dread judgment day, And we shall meet. I charge thee by the years gone by, For the love's sake of brethren dear, Keep thou the one true way, In work and play. Lest in that world their cry Of woe thou hear. —Keble.

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